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The Church of God Evangel

ALL NATIONS MATT. 28:19

EVERY CREATURE MARK. 16:15

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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Adversity

BY ANDREW J. BEARD

ALMOST three thousand years of darkness have taken their flight since Solomon, the wise man lived. He, it is said, wrote the Book of Proverbs, wise sayings which have not been duplicated by the world's intellectuals, and wisdom which was and ever will be new.

In Prov. 24:10 Solomon made this infallible utterance, "If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength is small." In other words, he warned the past, present, and future generations of Christians to have spiritual strength in the day that the clouds of darkness and despair fell upon their pathway. The joy of the Lord is the strength of man, and if man has at his disposal sufficient strength, he will not give up the Christian faith in the hour of adversity.

The Bible, the Book of books, is filled with heroic exploits from the lives of men and women who fought back at the enemy when the clouds of adversity roll. The apostle Paul, the most distinguished Christian of the world, with the exception of Christ, no doubt passed through as much or more opposition than any Christian of the ages. If this eminent character had not lived close to God and had not great spiritual strength, the storm of adversity would have prevented his writing two-thirds of the New Testament. If he had not plowed through the fields of adversity, perhaps the gospel would not have been planted at Philippi, from which place Europe and America received the Word of God. When we reflect upon the fact, that this mission post was the spiritual sentinel for nations, we are thankful to God that Paul had strength when the winds of war swept through the prison walls of Philippi. It will be remembered that at midnight within these prison walls there was a prayer meeting which was to shake the shackles of sin from generations unborn. My God, in these days of strife and turmoil give us strength to stand.

Our minds at this hour run back to Dr. Latimer, a persecuted Christian of England ages since. When the enemy of his soul had chained him to the stake and the fires were kindled, Latimer cried out, "You have lighted a fire in England today that shall never be put out." In this fine and prophetical declaration, Latimer retained his spiritual strength and saw the opposition swept away. On this day, great strength was given to multitudes. The life and works of Latimer will ever be an inspiration to those who pass through adversity.

Adversity has been the test of men and women in every age, habitation and clime. This one test of life brings out the wheat while the chaff is swept away.

The world will never forget the life and works of John Bunyan, a Christian who lived in England centuries years ago. This man because of his religious belief was thrown into prison and kept there the greater part of fourteen years. If any Christian ever felt the evil effects of adversity, John Bunyan did. In the midst of this imprisonment, solitude and loneliness, he gave the world a contribution in the name of Pilgrim's Progress. This book has been more widely read, with the exception of the Bible, than any other. Millions of souls have found consolation by reading Pilgrim's Progress. Let us remember that this book was born of solitude and imprisonment, which in reality means that godly strength inspired Bunyan while he sat in the darkness of adversity. We, as Christians, should face the opposition of the enemy and use the sword of spiritual strength against him. The clouds of war and general trouble face the world, the hope of the godly in the midst of this is the joy of Jesus the Master.

As we look back into the misty past and see multitudes of Christians in the catacombs, in the coves, in their wanderings, and in their adverse conditions, we are reminded that they overcame opposition and at the opportune time they will live with the immortal on the other shore.

It was godly strength that framed the constitution of the United States, that turned the wilderness into a fruitful gar-

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Notices

CONFESSION: I have confessed to Brother Dorman and Brother Daniels and as they desire me to make confession for not staying under the tent one morning at the Virginia state convention and not sitting where the ministers sat, if anyone is offended or hurt at me or about that that I did, please forgive me in the name of the Lord and pray for me. God knows all about this and why.—W. R. S. Lyons, Pulaski, Va.

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To the ministers and members in Arkansas: Our state convention will convene at Marked Tree, Ark., beginning Thursday night, Aug. 12, at 7:30 p. m. We are expecting all the ministers to be present at the opening of the service, and don't forget, everyone bring a special offering for missions. Let's see which pastor will bring the most mission money. Let's be one hundred per cent on our five per cent missions. Every pastor put on an Evangel drive while we have the cheap rates.

To all the Sunday Schools and Y. P. E's, Brother M. C. Luallen is state superintendent for both. His address is Forrest City, Ark. Each Y. P. E. and Sunday School be sure and report to him every month. Everyone who knows the worth of prayer pray that God will send preachers into this needy field. There are new places opened up for the Church of God and we need preachers to go. God is blessing in a great way over here. Pray that God will continue to bless. May God bless everyone is our prayer.—Thy humble servant in Christ, Odis Smith, state overseer of Arkansas.

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My address is changed from Battle Creek, Mich. to 412 Baker St., Lansing, Mich. Anyone who wants me to run a revival may write me at the new address. I am not afraid of hard places, where God leads me I will go. Before sending for me pray earnestly about it. My state overseer and many others will recommend me.—Evangelist W. T. Truett.

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The Pine Grove, Ga. district convention will convene July 9-11. Our state overseer, Brother John C. Jernigan, will be in charge, assisted by the district pastor, Brother Gary Jackson. There will be dinner on the ground July 11. Everybody is welcome, come and bring a well-filled basket.

We also announce our camp meeting to be held at Pine Grove, beginning August 1-10. Brother J. L. McCoy will be in charge assisted by the pastor. Everybody is invited to come and enjoy the good blessings from the Lord.—Gary Jackson, R. F. D. 1, Odum, Ga.

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To whom it may concern: This is to notify you that J. H. McCraw and H. R. Harler are no longer ministers nor members of the Church of God.—J. L. Dorman, overseer of Virginia.

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Anyone knowing the whereabouts of J. W. Glasper, colored man of New Orleans, La. please let me know at once. I will pay all postage. — D. A. Herd, Blacksburg, S. C.

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To the Sunday Schools in Virginia: Pulaski takes the state banner for the month of May, Dunford Town second, and Marion third. Don't forget your coupons, send them in. We have collected a great many this year for the orphanage.—Marvin E. Porter, state S. S. supt., Austinville, Va.

SPECIAL WARNING

Precious Church of God Working Men Everywhere

Please do not be swept off your feet into any kind of rioting or acts of violence during the labor troubles which are existing throughout the country now. The Assembly rules that you may be members of the labor unions in order to obtain or retain employment, but prohibits your taking part in any acts of violence, regardless of what the organization may be—even including the X. Y. Z.

***We are praying for you that God will help you in all of your problems.*—J. H. Walker, General Overseer.**

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The Kansas state convention will convene at Coffeyville, Kans., July 16-18 in a large tent near the church at South Willow Street. We are expecting a large delegation from each church in the state. Our camp meeting will begin the 4th and continue till the 16th. We are expecting a glorious feast from the Lord. A special invitation is given to out-of-state folks. Out-of-town people, bring your camping outfit. Beds and free entertainment for convention only. Our General Overseer, J. H. Walker, will be with us through the convention.—J. B. Baney, state overseer.

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The Oklahoma convention and camp meeting convenes July 19-25. Don't miss it. The tabernacle at Maud has been repaired since the storm and made ready for the occasion. We will have ample camping space around the tabernacle for those of you who come prepared to camp, we will also have gas and gas stoves conveniently located on the ground under a small tent or covering to accommodate those who want to do their cooking. Bring your cots and bedding, small camp tents, wagon sheets, tarps. Let's make it a real camp meeting. Rooms and apartments can be rented very reasonable. Two or three small dwellings near the tabernacle are vacant and will be available to those who come early. As has been our custom, we will do our best to entertain all out-of-state visitors free.

Church, bring together a special offering and pounding for your pastor. He is expected to be at the state convention and camp meeting along with you. If you can't possibly come with him, send him.

Pastors, check up again and see how your reports are going to show up. State Sunday School and Y. P. E. convention will be held the 22nd, Willing Workers report and program the 23rd from 2:00 to 5:00 p. m.

A general roll call of every preacher in the state of Oklahoma will be the first point of business following the opening of our state convention, July 23, 8:00 a. m., followed with a roll call of all the churches. If we fail to see your face at this time we are going to be disappointed. If we fail to hear a response when your church is called out, we will be disappointed again.

In conclusion let me say that our staff of preachers will include some of the very best in our movement (or any movement). We are expecting all of our Oklahoma preachers present, along with several out-of-state preachers, and who else? Brother R. P. Johnson, state overseer of South Carolina, also Assistant General Overseer of the Church of God, is scheduled to be here soon after we convene and remain throughout. To you who know Brother Johnson he needs no recommendation, but for the benefit of you who do not know, we will say, he has but very few equals compared to the vast number of preachers in the world, and few superiors (if any). We repeat again, DON'T MISS IT. We will have TWO and possibly FOUR new churches to surprise you with that have not been yet reported. Pray for us and remember we are praying for you.—Yours very truly, S. J. Wood, state overseer of the Church of God in Oklahoma.

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To whom it may concern: My address has been changed from Box 6, Cherokee Falls, S. C. to 503 E. Frederick St., Gaffney, S. C.—Your brother in Christ, H. L. Taylor.

STATE CONVENTION WORK

Mission Offerings Show Large Increase. Other Departments Show Big Gain. All Conventions Blessed With Good Spirit.

BY J. H. WALKER, General Overseer

TENNESSEE STATE CONVENTION

Convened at Cleveland, June 10-13 and was the greatest in the history for the state. I believe it was the greatest in attendance we have ever had.

Foreign mission offering was $1,153.28 which gave them third place in special convention offerings. The orphanage offering, the largest of any state for this year, was $316.09 cash, produce valued at $30.00.

There were representatives present from all over the state. God blessed. The people were encouraged.

The reports showed a nice gain in many departments. In membership—a number of good revivals had been held, and some new churches had been organized.

The new state parsonage, which was almost completed by the convention, was greatly appreciated by all.

May God continue to bless Tennessee.

MICHIGAN CONVENTION

Convened June 25-27 at Lake Odessa, Mich. and was greatest in history of state. Foreign mission offering was $405.10, twelve times the amount of last year.

This was their first attempt for a state camp meeting, but it was considered by those who had attended camp meetings for years, as being a wonderful success. Brother Walker (Paul H.) secured the Bible Conference Camp, with all of its facilities, which is located on the beautiful Lake Odessa. There was a number who attended the entire meeting. Of course, I only attended the last three days of the convention, but I feel that it is the best convention that I have ever attended in the state. God blessed in a wonderful way. The hearts of the people were melted together, it seemed, in the most pleasant way.

The people seemed greatly encouraged, and I feel that they have returned to their various fields of labor ready to finish up the greatest year in the whole history of the state.

May God continue to bless Michigan.

VIRGINIA CONVENTION

Convened June 15-17 at Roanoke, Va. Special missions $400.10, nearly five times last year. This was Virginia's first attempt for a camp meeting, but we hope not her last, as they feel so much good was done. The convention being in the middle of the week, it was not as well attended as it would have been on the week-end. Yet there was a goodly number.

The reports showed a large number of people saved this year, and over four hundred, I believe, added to the church. The Sunday Schools and Y. P. E. also showed good gains. This was a blessed convention, and I believe will be long remembered.

May God continue to bless Virginia.

WEST VIRGINIA CONVENTION

Convened at Beckley, June 18-20. It was by far the greatest attendance, and I believe the greatest convention we ever had in West Virginia. Reports show substantial gains in the various departments. A goodly number of successful revivals have been held, and hundreds added to the Lord and to the Church.

The beautiful camp site on a hilltop overlooking the city is an ideal place for a camp meeting, really breezy and closer to heaven. The management plans to have the next convention there on our own state grounds.

The state foreign mission offering was $212.51. The dear Lord blessed in every service. The ministers and people seemed greatly encouraged to press on and work a little harder, if possible, to make this the greatest Assembly year in the West Virginia history.

May God continue to bless West Virginia.

OHIO STATE CONVENTION

Greatest in history for state; largest number in attendance; splendid accommodations in a large Junior High School building at Hamilton.

The Lord did bless wonderfully. It seemed that every speaker was anointed afresh for his message.

The reports of churches by districts were good, and showed a substantial gain in membership, so far, with many of the churches 100 per cent on every department of obligation to state and general headquarters.

Mission (foreign) offering over four times last year's. I believe the final count showed $279.58.

May God continue to bless Ohio.

INDIANA STATE CONVENTION

Acclaimed greatest in history. God blessed wonderfully. Brother Morrow and his ministers apparently did their best, and the convention was a glorious success. People came from all over the state. I believe we had the largest proportion of the entire congregation at one time shouting than we have seen anywhere this year.

All enjoyed the good singing and music, and the good reports, which showed a nice gain in membership from a number of good revivals. I feel sure that every one went away with a greater determination to do more for God and His church.

May God continue to bless Indiana.

FLORIDA CAMP MEETING-CONVENTION

Was greatest in history for state; largest attendance; among the greatest of camp meetings, spiritually; offering to foreign missions near $1,500.00 cash, which beats own high record of last year almost three times.

There were numbers of people from several states in attendance for this great gathering.

The reports showed that some splendid work had been done since last General Assembly. A number of new churches, an increase in membership so far, and several special divine healings in the state.

The new 50-room dormitory added so much to the camp this time, and is a monument to the progress of the work in the state, and of course, if Jesus tarries, no doubt will render valuable service for many years to come.

Others no doubt will tell you much more about this wonderful camp meeting and convention.

May God continue to bless Florida.

Praises Goldsboro, N.C. Y.P.E.

I really praise the Y. P. E. of Goldsboro, N. C. for its rapid growth and the great interest the members take in the work. Our pastor says when he needs help he knows who to go to and that is the Y. P. E. members. They use most of their funds to help meet the payments on his car. A good many of the members have the blessing and are leading others to God. Therefore, I feel that the Y. P. E. is doing some good. Some of the members have been helping hold street services and raised some funds that way.

We have recently organized a Y. P. E string band and make special music at our meetings, also make music in revivals. We are putting forth a great effort to make a success of our work here and it is our desire to see the little church continue to grow. It is growing so rapidly until we see the need of a larger church in the near future. You praying folks pray that God may continue to bless here and that we may be able to have a larger church in the near future.—Miss Agnes Williams, sec. and treas. S. S., and pres. of Y. P. E.

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STRIKE IN CLEVELAND

There is a big strike on in Cleveland —three foundries and one enamel plant. These plants furnished us quite a bit of printing and of course the strike has stopped their work and we can feel the loss. We certainly appreciate the way the business firms and factories in Cleveland have patronized our Publishing House, and we hope that the strike situation will soon be over and business will pick up again. Let us pray to that end.

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WARNING IN VIEW OF THE LORD'S RETURN
Luke 21:34-37.

V. 34, "And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares."

The confusion that is abroad in the nation is certainly alarming. If ever the Christian people needed to pray that God may bring them into full possession of His blessings and power, it is now. There is not much danger of our people going into drunkenness and the many evils too numerous to mention, but there is danger in letting their hearts be overcharged with the cares of this life. Jesus says that this will crowd out the Lord and cause us not to be ready when He returns.

COMING SUDDENLY

V. 35, "For as a snare shall it come upon all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth."

His appearing will be very sudden and I am sure many will not be ready to meet Him. It seems that Satan with all his powers is working to deceive and draw away God's people and we should be very careful not to allow the cares of this world crowd out the Lord. I realize that it is hard to keep the victory amidst all the persecutions and troubles, but Jesus has promised never to leave nor forsake us. I have just read an account of the shooting of the Christians in the Spanish War. It is horrible to think about it, but it is said that they stood true to Christ and died triumphant in the faith. If they could be true amidst all the hardships and disasters, we should remain true.

THE APOSTASY

It is alarming when we study conditions of apostasy today that are abroad in the land. Modernism is spreading like wildfire and many Christians are losing their grip on God. This should cause those who do love the truth to take a firmer stand for the dear Word of God. It is so plain that we need not err, and we must stand for these great truths if we make it through. To give up and be lost would be the greatest calamity that could come to a soul. Persecutions haven't struck America yet, but everything is heading up that way. It will pay those who love the truth to prayerfully stand for the plain written Word of God and there pillow our heads on His promises and be ready to die if needs be for the truth.

Many things are being said about apostate Jews and communism is being laid to them. There may be some Jews who have denied the God of their fathers and have taken sides with the communist forces, but in the main the Gentiles are in the lead in promoting this doctrine: Stalin of Russia, trained in a Christian theological seminary; Rosenberg, once a member of the Evangelical Church; Hitler, whose parents were Catholics and he himself brought up in the Benedictine Monastary at Lambeck; Smith, founder of American Association for Advancement of Atheism, trained in a Methodist college. Statistics given in a Literary Digest (Sept. 12, 1936) 82 per cent of American atheists were once affiliated with some church. Modernism was born in the German church.

THE WOES OF THE RICH IN OUR DAY

"Go to now, ye rich men, weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you. Your riches are corrupted, and your garments are motheaten," James 5: 1, 2.

It is impossible to read the newspapers without seeing the trouble that is in the land today. The formation of syndicates, trusts, and combines for the promotion of manufacturing and general industry, has caused a great dissatisfaction among the laboring class of people and it seems that the dissatisfaction is brewing from every side. The laborers feel that these men are making too much money and they are not drawing what they should for their labor. I am in favor of organized labor and feel that they should be protected, but I am afraid they are being misled in some ways. It is a time of trouble, prophesied in the Word of God, and human efforts will not be able to solve it. I believe with all my heart that at the head of all these disturbances is the spirit of Antichrist and that if the truth was known, it is being agitated by a communistic spirit. I think that American labor would do well to hold to the American Federation of Labor.

It is also a time for the trouble of those who have riches. They are afraid of everything that comes up. Men who are rich today are miserable because of the opposition and criticism offered by their more misfortunate brothers. It is a time when their riches are a greater burden than they are a pleasure. There is a spirit in America to make it impossible to accumulate and possess a fortune of any considerable size. Many things are being done to satisfy these complaints. Income tax, inheritance tax and many other laws are passed to switch from the hands of family lineage the wealth handed down to them. These laws are all right but it will never be able to solve the problem. The rich are constantly subjected to attack. The world is running riot with plans to disturb the wealthy and everything is being done that is possible to direct the profits into the hands of those who are laboring.

Of course it would be worthless and folly to say that the rich are blameless but under the present strain of relations between capital and labor it will be hard

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Is Holiness Right?

MRS. WALTER A. DAUGHDRILL

How often this question comes into the minds of honest-hearted people today who are trying to serve the true and living God. I for one pondered much over this question a little more than three years ago. I thank God for stirring my heart and mind so much over it, that I had to continually take it to the Lord in prayer. It disturbed the peace that Satan tried to keep in my heart, that I needed no deeper experience in the Lord Jesus Christ. But, praise God, no matter how hard Satan works to deceive us, that blessed Holy Spirit of Christ WILL work and none can hinder, if we will only let Him. And now I know WITHOUT a DOUBT that holiness is right, for God's Word teaches us if we lack wisdom, to ask it of God and He will not give us a stone if we ask for bread. Some will argue and doubt, but all who will believe that He is a rewarder of them that diligently seek Him will have no doubts.

Paul says, "Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ." He also said, "But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which WE have preached unto you, let him be accursed."

Many, many preachers today are preaching only a part of this glorious gospel of the kingdom and are well satisfied with themselves, but listen, ask yourselves, all who are trying to obey the divine call of God, "Is my Master satisfied with me?" or "Am I preaching the full gospel that Peter, Paul, and others preached after they were endued with power from on high?" for the command is to His disciples today as when Christ told the first ones to tarry until they be endued with power from on high.

Now let's get our Bibles and see what gospel Paul and Peter preached. Turn to Acts 10:44-48. We find here where Peter was preaching to Cornelius and kinsmen, and many that were come together, and while he yet spake these words the Holy Ghost fell on all of them which heard the word, and they of the circumcision were astonished because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the Holy Ghost. How did they know they had the Holy Ghost? They heard them speak with tongues. In the next verse Peter tells us that that crowd received the Holy Ghost "as well as we." Who did Peter mean when he said "we"? See Acts 1. Here we find the disciples, Mary, the mother of Jesus, and others (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty). Acts 2:4 tells us they were ALL filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. What gave utterance? The Spirit. St. John 15:26, 27 tells us that when the Holy Ghost or Comforter is come, He shall testify, and YE ALSO shall bear witness. Then let's find Acts 19:1-7. Paul came to Ephesus and found certain disciples who had been converted under Apollos' preaching. Apollos knew only the baptism of John. Acts 18:25. Paul asked these certain disciples, "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" They said they had not heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. They told him they had been baptized unto John's baptism. Paul told them that John baptized with the baptism of repentance, and verse 6 says that when Paul laid his hands on them the Holy Ghost came on them and they spake with tongues. God's precious Word proves to us in many places that Paul was a real holiness preacher.

In 1 Cor. 14:18 Paul said, "I thank my God I speak with tongues more than ye all." In verse 39 he tells the people to forbid not to speak with tongues. Holiness fighters will quote verse 19 where Paul said he had rather speak five words with his understanding than ten thousand in an unknown tongue. Why? That by his voice he might teach others also. Paul was trying to show the people that the GIFT of prophecy was greater than the gift of tongues, "EXCEPT ye interpret," so the church could understand. He was talking to the Corinthian Church of God and they who had the Holy Ghost spoke with tongues but all did not have the gift of tongues. You see there are nine spiritual gifts. I Cor. 12:7-11. Some say, "Why Paul was well educated and had learned different languages." But listen, he knew what he was saying when he talked in the languages he learned at school, but he says in 1 Cor. 14:14, "If I pray in an unknown tongue, my spirit prayeth, but MY understanding is UNFRUITFUL. So he said he would pray with the Spirit and with the understanding also. Hallelujah! Dear readers, it is a glorious thing to be able to pray with the Spirit and with the understanding also, for the Spirit knoweth our needs better than we do. So often when we get on our knees to pray and have such burdens on our hearts, we hardly know what to pray for. The blessed Holy Ghost takes possession of our tongues and makes intercession to God for us. Oh, praise God forever for filling me with heaven's sweet Holy Ghost.

Again I'll mention the spiritual gifts. We find the nine mentioned in 1 Cor. 12:7-11. I asked a nominal preacher once, who was fighting holiness, what the spiritual gifts were. He said, "Well some can pray, some sing, some preach, some testify, and I'd call those spiritual gifts." Listen, brother, sinners can do these things. Many hypocrites are doing those things today. But a spiritual gift is something that only the Spirit can do. Paul told the church to come behind in no gift. He was talking to the Church of God at Corinth. If the church has a member who has the gift of tongues, it is very necessary for the gift of interpretation to be there also. I used to wonder why Paul said he was not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation, but I have found that the world is ashamed of this mighty power from God that quickens (shakes and jerks) these mortal bodies of ours and causes us to speak in tongues. Pride! Oh, what is there for a human to be so filled with pride over, if the blessed Spirit of Christ is not in them?

Some will say, "Why you can't be holy here on earth for Jesus said, There is none good but one and that is God." He did say that, and WE can't be good except the Spirit of God be in us. Jesus also said, Luke 6:45, "A good man out of the good treasure of his heart bringeth forth that which is good." Psa. 112:5 says, "A good man sheweth favor and lendeth." Psa. 37:23 says, "The steps of a good men are ordered by the Lord." People say there are none righteous. Paul did say that, in Rom. 3:10, but read farther and see whom Paul was talking to. Jesus said, "I came not to call the RIGHTEOUS but sinners to repentance." 1 Peter 4:18. "If the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the sinner and ungodly appear?" Read Psa. 37:16-40 and see what God's Word tells us about the righteous. Read 1 Peter 3:12 also.

In Phil. 4:9 Paul says, "Those things, which ye have both learned, and received, and heard, and seen in me, DO." Now what have we learned that Paul did? Praise God, he spoke in tongues and did many other wonderful things that are peculiar to the world. My first trip to a holiness meeting revealed to me the meaning of 1 Peter 2:9 where we are told God's people are a peculiar people. When we first hear a crowd or even just one person speaking in tongues and see the mighty power of God shaking and jerking their bodies it is peculiar to us. In Titus

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REVIVALS

HIGH POINT, N. C.—The Church of God in High Point is still on the firing line. We have just closed a three weeks' revival with Brother J. R. Campbell of Lowell, N. C. in charge. He did some wonderful preaching under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost. It seems as though God gave him a special anointing at every service. Our revival was a wonderful success with twelve saved, twelve sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost and five added to the church for which we are thankful. We appreciate our pastor, Brother Stallings, and his family who are giving their all, it seems, for Jesus and His Church. Pray for High Point that we will continue to hold up Jesus.—H. E. Driggers, clerk.

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JEFFERSON CITY, Tenn. — We praise the Lord for His wonderful love and goodness to us at Jefferson City, Tenn. We have just closed a two and one-half weeks' revival in which the Lord wonderfully blessed. Praise His name. The Lord gave us a crowded house and His wonderful love has been with us all the way. The evangelist, Brother J. H. McKinney, certainly brought us the Word in all its fulness. We learned to love Brother McKinney while he was here. We thank and praise the Lord for the souls brought to God. Hallelujah! Twenty-one were saved, four sanctified, five filled with the Holy Ghost. We request your prayers for this place. I also have a special request which I want you to ask the Lord to grant. May God bless everyone is my prayer.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Ethel Hill, Gen. Del.

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NEW BETHLEHEM, Pa.—We have just closed a revival here with fifteen saved, nine sanctified and ten filled with the Holy Ghost. We had Brother J. L. Hathcock, wife and son of Black Mountain, N. C. with us. Brother Hathcock did the preaching and the Lord blessed. We surely thank and praise God for His blessings and love to us. We also had with us Sister Margaret Rowe, an orphan from the Church of God Orphanage at Cleveland, Tenn. We appreciated the interesting talks she gave in behalf of the orphanage and her life's story. We thank the Lord for these good people and may they be a blessing wherever they may go. Pray for the work here that it may continue to prosper and pray for our beloved pastor and wife, Brother and Sister Noble Stern.—A sister in Christ, Miss Dorothy Smith, clerk.

ST. ELIZABETH, Jam., B. W. I.—Dear Evangel readers, I praise God for the wonderful ways in which He is blessing us over here at Aberdeen. On March 7 a great revival started and continued until the 21st. During that time seven were sanctified, six saved, twenty-two filled with the precious Holy Ghost. Praise the sweet name of Jesus. We are still having the victory in spite of the enemy's tricks. We have much to thank God for over this way. Beloved ones, we can see that the Lord is gathering His children into the one fold.—Yours in the Master's service, Ida L. Green.

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ALARKA, N. C.—We have just closed a three weeks' revival with Brother J B. Brooks and Brother N. M. Jones, our pastor, in charge two weeks. One was saved. Brother T. L. Willix came in and took charge the third week. Seven were saved, six sanctified and four filled with the Holy Ghost. Please pray that God will continue to bless here.—Your sister in Christ, Mary Tippett.

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WEST GASTONIA, N. C.—I began a revival with Brother A. O. Stewart at West Gastonia May 30. We continued three weeks during which time twenty were saved, thirteen sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost and four added to the church. I enjoyed every moment of the time spent with Brother Stewart and his people and the Lord wonderfully blessed us. We closed the services by observing sacrament, feet washing and an old-time praise service. May the Lord's blessings continue to be upon this church. I desire your prayers. I would be glad to get in touch with anyone desiring a revival.—Evangelist G. L. Jones.

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PIGEON CREEK, Ala.—I thank the Lord for the outpouring of His Spirit. We have just closed a revival down at Slipup, Ala. where the Lord surely did bless. Twenty-four were saved, eight sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost and twelve added to the Church of God. Brother A. W. Mills did the preaching. Brother Mills is a wonderful man of God and makes lots of friends. Please pray for the little band that has been saved down here, for the preacher boys and girls who have made a start for the Lord. Don't forget to pray for us. Love to all the Evangel readers.—Vallie Rigdon, clerk, Rt. 1.

Deprived of Blessed Privilege Of Being in Service

I am glad to sound a note of praise for my blessed Savior. About nine years ago He wonderfully and gloriously saved me. A little later He sanctified me and baptized me with the precious Holy Ghost and fire and today finds me seeking to be more like Him. Oh, how I do worship Him, He is so real in my life. I delight in living for Him.

I am over in West Florida. Bonifay is my home. We have a good little band of saints over there. The Lord has been good to us over here. At the present I live at Chipley, Fla., about nine miles from Bonifay. We don't have a church here. I am so hungry to get in a good Church of God meeting. I tell you, dear people, the precious old Church of God means much to the saints. We live away from church and don't have the privilege of being in services like some.

One Sunday I was hungry to get alone where I could pray to my soul's satisfaction, so my little seven-year-old boy and I went about a mile out in the woods. We carried our lunch, Bible and song books. We sang and before we got through singing both of us broke down and wept. Truly God was there, He was listening in as we sang. Dear Church of God everywhere, I ask you to please pray much for me. I am so greatly burdened for some cause. I don't know what it's all about, but precious hearts, my Christ knows. You know the Word said bear ye one another's burdens. I hope sometime in the near future a Holy Ghost filled man or woman will come here and preach the gospel of Christ in its fulness.—A sister in Christ, Mrs. Agnes Booth, Box 22, Chipley, Fla.

Christ wept for love's sake for the wicked Jews of Jerusalem who were shutting the door against mercy, when they themselves should have been weeping for gratitude to Him for His unmerited offer of such a bounteous gift.

STATE CONVENTIONS

Northwest (Minot), N. Dak., S. Dak., Wyo., Minn., Wis., Mont., Western Canada, camp meeting July 1-11; convention July 8-11.

Kentucky (Somerset) ..... Aug. 20-22

Missouri ..... Aug. 27-29

Maine (Appleton) New England States, New Hampshire, Vermont, Mass., R. I., and Conn.—Sept. 1-7.

New York ..... Sept. 7-8

District of Columbia ..... Sept. 9

Oklahoma Camp Meeting (Maud), July 19-25.

Mississippi ..... July 16-18

Arkansas ..... Aug. 13-15

Iowa and Nebraska (Jefferson, Iowa) July 13-15.

Kansas ..... July 16-18

Illinois ..... July 20-22

Maryland ..... July 23-25

Georgia (Macon) ..... July 29-Aug. 1

Louisiana ..... July 30-Aug. 1

Texas (Weatherford) ..... Aug. 5-8

Orphanage Report

Orphanage Receipts

For quarter, April, May, June, 1937:

Alabama	$223.79
Arkansas	30.89
Arizona	6.73
California	86.24
Colorado	7.13
Delaware	6.52
Florida	418.81
Georgia	177.02
Idaho	1.98
Iowa	5.45
Illinois	106.84
Indiana	84.24
Kansas	16.80
Kentucky	188.02
Louisiana	22.90
Maine	36.85
Massachusetts	5.53
Maryland	85.34
Michigan	77.66
New Mexico	26.31
Montana	12.68
Missouri	97.63
Mississippi	43.64
Minnesota	2.53
North Carolina	535.37
North Dakota	36.91
Ohio	293.05
Oklahoma	40.42
Oregon	5.65
Pennsylvania	202.69
South Carolina	528.37
South Dakota	16.85
Tennessee	706.66
Texas	126.06
Virginia	73.95
West Virginia	224.86
Washington, D. C.	2.00
Wyoming	1.87
Washington	1.98
Foreign	28.33
Miscellaneous	280.68
Total	$4877.24

MISCELLANEOUS

ALABAMA

Mrs. P. W. Hackney, Blountsville—2 quilts.

CALIFORNIA

Louise Bell, Leevining—6 yds. material, 4 yds. ribbon, 2 cards bias tape, 2 cards bottons, 2 prs. socks.

FLORIDA

Church of God, Clearwater—5 yds. cloth, 1 dress collar, 1 towel, 1 dress, 1 luncheon cloth, 1 wash cloth, 1 letter bag, 2 prs. socks, 1 boy's suit, 12 prs. anklets, 1 hdkf. Worn goods: 2 shirts, 11 dresses, 2 boys' suits, 1 sweater, 1 coat. 3 prs. pants, 2 prs. coveralls, 4 prs. shoes, 1 scarf, 1 blouse.

NORTH CAROLINA

Walter Reed, Troutmans—1 man's suit, 8 coat hangers.

Willing Workers' Band, High Shoals—5 prs. pants, 1 pr. knickers, 1 shirt, 2 sweaters, 7 prs. anklets, 3 towels, 2 wash cloths, 3 1-2 yds. prints, 1 pr. pillow cases, 1 pr. shorts, 1 crib sheet, 1 card buttons, 1 pr. bootees, 1 pr. coveralls. Worn goods: 6 shirts, 3 prs. small pants, 2 aprons, 6 dresses, 1 scarf.

Mrs. N. C. Reed, Troutmans—14 ties.

Mrs. J. J. Crowder, Wake Forest—5 prs. pillow cases, 3 sheets, 3 prs. anklets, 5 wash cloths, 2 hdkfs.

H. C. Peek, Old Fort—3 hdkfs., 2 prs. stockings, 1 dress, 1 shirt, 2 towels, 2 1-4 yds. material.

PENNSYLVANIA

Church of God Sunday School, Juniata—5 towels, 2 wash cloths.

TENNESSEE

D. C. Renner Wholesale, Cleveland—2 boxes candy, 4 7-lb. boxes soda crackers, 45 lbs. bananas.

Church of God, Elizabethton—2 pillows, 4 quilts, 24 towels, 2 dresses, 2 quilt tops, 1 suit with 2 prs. pants. Worn goods: 1 suit clothes, 1 coat, 1 pr. pants, 7 dresses, 1 sweater, 2 prs. underwear, 1 slip, 2 blouses.

TEXAS

Rosie Mae Tumlinson, McCamey—2 dresses, 1 blouse, 1 bundle scraps, 2 1-2 yds. material, 1-4 yd. lace.

A MACEDONIAN CALL

To God's family on earth, especially to the preachers who are called of God to preach. If you believe the Word says, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature," I mean if you practice it, then this is to you. The only kind of preacher I have any faith in is the one who will go anywhere and trust God to take care of him. I read in the Bible about God wanting us to endure hardness as good soldiers, to put on His armor and go out and overcome spiritual wickedness and sin, with the shield of faith and the sword of the Spirit (His Word). I read that this can be done and God will save the lost through your preaching. But, alas, how can they hear without a preacher and how can he preach except he be sent? If God can't send him, can money? The gospel is the power of God to save. It does not say take five or six preachers, a dozen singers, and players.

If there is any one who thinks he has enough of the grace of God to preach the Word in the most wicked place in Texas, you ought to come and at least spy out the land. This is really a place where the devil has very little competition. If you think you would like to engage in a few battles and see if you really are a soldier and can stand the test of the overcomer, the bride of Christ, I don't know of a better place to pitch a battle than right here in the big oil field. If you are afraid, God doesn't want you to preach here. There are lots of so-called revivals here. Lots of people professing Christ and the Holy Ghost, but the bride of Christ, where is she?

I have prayed many years for God to send some preachers to this part of the country. Maybe I should say, I'll do all I can to help Him send. If I had some hornets or a depressor I would lend them to Him. There are some other ways preachers have been sent. I believe that Jesus is soon coming but confess I don't know where He will find His bride. This has been my soul's cry for ten years. Lord, send preachers who are not afraid to go, who believe God can give the victory anywhere. He is willing for all to be saved. You preachers God has called to preach and you are loafing on the job, maybe you are working at something else while thousands are going to hell. How do you feel about it? I am afraid a lot of us are being foolish virgins. Let's hasten and get oil. The Bridegroom may come any moment. Let's get closer to God that we might hear His voice. Say, "Speak my Lord, send me." Are you afraid He will say, Go down there to Soddom, in East Texas oil fields. Can you hear Jesus say, Feed my sheep? Do you know they are all scattered not having a shepherd? I know that God hears my prayers. Has He spoken to you? If God doesn't send you, don't come.—Mrs. Kathryn Thompson, Cloth Tex. Co., Gladewater, Texas.

Wonderful Victory

KINGSTON, Jam., B. W. I.—Praise God, we are very glad to report to you again wonderful victory through the Holy Ghost in our Y. P. E. here. We are on the winning side. I can say this Y. P. E. is more to be desired than gold, yea, than much fine gold; for it has been proving a blessing to everyone who comes through the door.

Sometimes we have as music—guitar, mandolin, violin, organ and harp, but we are trying to get our own music. We covet your most earnest prayers. The young people are led to see the value of salvation through this Y. P. E. May God bless you all in Jesus' name.—Your sister in Christ, S. C. Jones.

Request

Please pray for the church here. I also have three unspoken requests. Please pray that God will grant according to His will.—Humbly, Mrs. Guy Bowers, Sylva, N. C.

Reports

Montana State Convention

The Montana state convention convened at Bigtimber, Mont. This convention was a great success and there was love, unity and power. Many souls were blessed in different ways, weeping, laughing, shouting and dancing. It made us feel sad when we had to say good-bye to our visitors from Canada, North Dakota, South Dakota and Colorado and various parts of Montana. Co-operation from the pastors and saints was one hundred per cent. We fed the folks free and God's smile of approval was upon it, every need was abundantly supplied.

When our overseer, H. W. Poteat, started to make the welcome address the power and presence of God came in such a manner until we just had to stop and weep for joy. From that moment we all felt that we were welcome. All the speakers were at their best. Brother Frank Lemons spoke on "The Church in Order." Brother Sisk of North Dakota delivered two powerful messages. Brother M. L. Lowe from Billings, Mont. gave a very stirring and searching message on "The Church of God;" Brother McCreak spoke on "Loose Him and Let Him Go;" Sister Banks of Denver, Colo. spoke on "Oh Why Will Ye Die, O House of Israel?" As the message was being delivered there was one wave of glory after another that came down and blessed. The writer spoke on "Conditions in Russia." There were also good evangelistic messages brought by Sister Carrie Butler and Doris Grove both of North Dakota. Brother Syverson of Lewistown, Mont. preached on "The High Calling of God." He was a great help during the convention both in the services and in the kitchen.

The Savchenko quartet and the Montana quartet rendered some very spiritual and soul-stirring messages in song and also special music. Sister Lemons with her solos, and others that helped in the music, added much to the convention.

Everyone who came were only too glad to help in some way and although many had to sacrifice on account of poor beds there was not a single murmur or complaint heard from anyone. God was here in a wonderful way. Visiting ministers had a place on the program, many gave good reports and encouraging talks. Offering for missions was good, there seemed to be more interest in home missions because there are three of four churches in the state of Montana and there are many towns and cities here that have not heard the full gospel. Since there is a plan to raise mission money after churches are set in order it seems that the Spirit is leading to try to evangelize the great Northwest as there are only a few churches compared to the large field. The harvest is great, the laborers are few. Everybody had a mind to work and all workers and ministers have gone forth into the fields of labor with new zeal and courage to do more for God and His Church which we all love.

This was truly the best convention that Montana has had for some time and all of those that were at the convention will give the same voice of opinion as it is stated here. Pray for Montana.—Yours in the service of God. George P. Savchenko.

Thomasville, Ala. District Convention

The Thomasville, Ala. district convention convened at the Sunny South Church of God June 11-13 with our state overseer, Brother G. C. Dunn, in charge. The convention was opened by singing and prayer. Our beloved pastor, Brother J. M. Hartline, gave the welcome address followed by a good message by Brother Dunn. This was on Friday night.

Brother Dunn brought the messages Saturday which were very good.

Service opened Sunday at 10:00 a. m. by singing and prayer after which Brother Barrett of Selma, Ala. made a good talk to the Sunday School. Then Brother Douty of Birmingham made a good talk to the Y. P. E. Brother Dunn brought a soul-stirring message. This was a grand service. One was reclaimed. There was great rejoicing, shouting and dancing under the power. Then we had dinner after which we gathered for service again. After singing and prayer we had the reports of the churches of the district. All were good. Brother Douty brought the evening message after which an altar call was made. Several went to the altar, one was reclaimed and one saved.

An offering was taken during the convention for our state overseer, one was also taken for missions which amounted to $10.00. The dear Lord was with us in each service. We praise the Lord for all. —A brother in Christ, J. L. Johnson, Pine Hill, Ala.

Winding Gulf, W. Va. Dist. Convention

The Winding Gulf district convention of the Church of God which convened at Rhodell, W. Va., May 13-15 has come and gone and many who attended it said it was the best one yet although it was the fourth one held at Rhodell.

The churches on the district were well represented and the preachers seemed to be at their best. The Lord was with us from the very first service and continued all through the convention, for which we praise Him. The pastors have all been faithful to their charge and work this year, for which we extend our appreciation to all of them.

We have also had a good general revival campaign on the district this year. We have had some good evangelists on the district such as D. B. Hatfield, Sister Ruff, Brother Tadlock, Brother C. M. Keys, Brother J. E. Green and others, for which we are thankful.

The offering all told was about $100. —R. A. Fielden, district pastor.

Marion, Va. Dist. Convention

We thank the Lord for the wonderful way He blessed in the district convention at Marion, Va. The Lord blessed from the beginning. On Friday night Brother Vaught of Chilhowie brought a wonderful soul-stirring message. On the following Saturday morning Brother Marvin E. Porter, our Sunday School superintendent, gave us a good message. We had preachers' meeting in the afternoon.

On Sunday at 11:00 o'clock our state overseer, Brother J. L. Dorman, brought us a wonderful message. The whole church was stirred by the power of God. In the afternoon we had a message on foreign missions. The people were made to see the need of sending the gospel to foreign fields. We got the largest offering Marion district has ever had, the amount was $12.38. The convention closed Sunday night with a message by the pastor. —Mrs. B. M. Woolwine, Box 362, Marion, Va.

First Y. P. E. District Convention a Success

Our first district convention convened May 15, 16 at Fairview, W. Va. with Brother R. L. Rexrode, our district pastor, in charge. God put His approval on the entire service by sending down the sweet Holy Ghost to be in our midst.

The convention was opened Saturday night by Brother Rexrode presenting special music and singing. We then had testimony and praise service. Brother H. D. Statum brought the message for the night and God blessed in a wonderful way and both saint and sinner enjoyed the service.

On Sunday morning the service was opened by the district pastor with special music and singing after which prayer was led by Brother Statum. The glory of God came down in the old-time way. Brother Rexrode then gave a few opening remarks which were filled with such love and gratitude and everyone could not help but feel welcome even before the welcome address was given by Brother

Jackson, pastor of Fairview church. All the Y. P. E's on the district were represented at this convention.

At noon we had dinner which the good people of St. George and Fairview had prepared. Everybody had plenty to eat and the good dinner was very much enjoyed by all. Praise God, He has promised to supply all our needs and on this day we not only had an ample supply to feed our natural bodies but He had prepared a spiritual feast to feed our hungry souls.

Just after dinner Brother H. D. Statum, our former district overseer, brought us a wonderful message sent straight from heaven to feed our hungry souls. Praise His good name. Every Y. P. E. on the district had prepared a special program for this convention with the exception of Bayard and Sister Alta Hanlin of Bayard gave a very interesting talk which was to represent the Bayard Y. P. E. The convention was well attended and we thank God for the way the people cooperated and helped our district pastor in making the Y. P. E. convention a success for God.—Mrs. Viola Cassady, clerk.

Mobridge, S. Dak. District Convention

The Mobridge, S. Dak. district convention has come and gone, but the memory of it is still precious to our hearts. The convention convened from Friday, June 4 to Sunday night, June 6.

The presence of the Lord was felt from the very first of the service. Sister Gillette delivered a message and a fine altar service followed. It rained nearly the entire time, but the Lord graciously let the spiritual rains fall till it seemed the whole house was filled with the glory of the Lord, tears freely flowed and shouts of praises went up to the Lord in one accord. Truly we felt as if we were getting back to Pentecost again.

The convention was well attended by the people from throughout the district despite the heavy rains. Many attended from our two new churches at Lebanon and Tolstoy, S. Dak., which were set in order by Brother D. C. Boatwright within the past year. This was the first Church of God convention they had ever attended and they expressed themselves as having been blessed.

Our beloved state overseer, D. C. Boatwright, was with us and delivered some fiery Spirit-filled messages which stirred our hearts and brought a blessing to every one present. The Sunday services are indescribable; really one would had to have been there to appreciate it. Brother Gillette, our beloved pastor, brought the morning message. The glory of the Lord fell and the sweet Holy Spirit took full control of the service and filled everyone's cup full and running over until it was hard to close long enough to let the people eat.

All were back again at 2:00 o'clock for another feast in the Lord. This service was given over to the young people; the song service was wonderful, the special songs inspiring and the testimony service led by Markus Boatwright was "joy unspeakable and full of glory." The blessed Holy Ghost had full charge of one entire service. Sister Helen Myren preached in behalf of the Y. P. E. It was the best soul-stirring, awakening message that we have heard in a long time. The convention came to a close, with the blessings of the Lord upon it, Sunday night, leaving all on the mountain top of glory, shouting, crying, and praising God for having so blessed us all. Five were added to the church. Our missionary offering was $21.35 and the subscriptions for the Evangel was thirty-nine. Again we say, Praise the Lord! Pray for us.—A sister in the Lord. (Sent in by C. A. Gillette, 622 2nd Ave., E. Mobridge, S. Dak.)

Markleysburg Dist. Conv'n.

The convention convened at Markleysburg, Pa., May 14-16. God was in our midst and blessed in a wonderful way and our hearts were made to feast upon the good things of the Lord.

Services opened Friday night with songs and prayer. Special music and singing was rendered by both home and visiting folks throughout the convention which was appreciated and enjoyed by all. Brother Ralph Koshewitz, the local pastor, gave the welcome address with responses by Arthur Chase, Lincoln Pyle and George Grubbs. The message was brought by Brother Harry Long. God set His approval on this message and blessed throughout the entire service.

Saturday morning service opened with a good delegation and God in our midst. After songs and prayer a message was brought by Brother Brady Dennis, a Bible School student of the local church. God blessed his efforts as he brought out some wonderful points. We then enjoyed a sermon by Brother C. H. Shaw, followed by a message by Sister Nona Dame. Brother J. L. Nuzum came next and seemed to have freedom and liberty in delivering his message. This was followed by a good testimony meeting conducted by Sister A. L. Smith. God's power was demonstrated by shouting, dancing and speaking in tongues as the good testimonies rang forth from the children of God. Saturday evening was a Y. P. E. program in charge of the state superintendent, Sister Alva Mae McClure, and Arthur Chase, district superintendent. God blessed in this program and the report from each Y. P. E. in the district showed progress in their work for which we are thankful.

We were so glad to have with us Brother and Sister A. A. Kehr, return missionaries from China, who then told us some of their experience in that heathen land, which I believe gave each one more of a missionary spirit and a greater vision of the lost.

Sunday, the closing day of this great convention, came. Service opened with songs and prayers. Sister McClure, state superintendent of Sunday Schools, gave a talk on Sunday School which was good advice and instruction for all. The state overseer, Brother C. H. Blankenship, then brought a message. After this message the Lord came on the scene in a mighty way and the Holy Ghost gave an altar call. The altar was soon filled with hungry hearts crying out to God. Many souls were blessed and one was filled with the precious Holy Ghost. We then had a good delegation and the reports proved God had been blessing also. Sunday evening we had another interesting Y. P. E. program and God blessed each speaker as he endeavored to do his part. The closing message was brought by Brother C. H. Blankenship.

To say this convention was wonderful is putting it mild. I heard so many say we had the best service they had attended for quite a while. Entertainment was free and I believe all felt right at home. The offerings were good, amounting to about $76.00, and God blessed along every line.—A sister in Christ, Leosa Glover, Somerfield, Pa.

Want to Do Our Best

The Church of God at Alarka, N. C. had home coming June 13. We had all-day service with about four hundred people present. We had dinner on the ground and commemorated the Lord's death and suffering by administering the Lord's Supper and feet washing. After a number of good talks we had an Indian choir sing several numbers which were enjoyed by all. We had water baptism and the Lord met with us in a wonderful way. It looked like He even blessed the sinners. We thank God and the good people of Alarka for the good conduct. We had no disturbance or drinking that we observed. Pray for us, good saints everywhere. This is our third year as pastor and our work has grown. The Lord is blessing our efforts and giving us many faithful souls for our labor. Bless His name. We are encouraged this morning and feel like traveling on. Praise His name.

We raised $6.54 for missions with a goodly collection for the orphans. We want to do our part.—Your brother in Christ, N. M. Jones, Sylva, N. C.

Norman, Okla. S. S. Conv'n.

The building was too small for the congregation so arrangements were made for the Free Pentecost mission which was very nice. We thank God for our state Sunday School and Y. P. E. superintendent, Brother Wiley E. Wright. Brother Dethridge, pastor of the free work, gave the welcome address which made all Church of God folks feel welcome. The response was given by the writer. Prof. Sturges of the Oklahoma University at Norman made a talk on the "Benefits of Sunday School to the Church and Home." Brother Holladay spoke on the "Possibility of a Sunday School." Brother Wright made a good talk on "How to Build and Conduct a Sunday School" so that most any of us could start one right. After that we had a good basket dinner and everyone enjoyed himself wonderfully.

Brother Rogers, the new pastor at Norman, spoke on "The Purpose of the Y. P. E." Sister Miller of Lindsay spoke on "The Need of the Y. P. E. of our District," stating that we needed consecrated workers who had faith in God as leaders. Reports of Sunday Schools and Y. P. E's of the district consisted of Oklahoma City, Lindsay, and Norman. Then Brother Hoggatt brought the message on "Some of the Danger Lines and Pitfalls of Satan" which was greatly enjoyed by all present.

The presence of the Lord was with us and a sweet fellowship was felt by all as we shook hands and parted for our respective places.—Paul J. Brown, Rt. 3, Chandler, Okla.

Blessed With Successful Revivals

WALHALLA, S. C.—I can't find words to express just how wonderfully God is blessing in our labor this year. We have had some wonderful revivals. We had a good successful revival in Charlotte, N. C. in April. Many souls went through and were blessed. Brother Nelson is doing a good work in Charlotte.

We went from there to Warrenville, S. C. God so wonderfully blessed there. Twenty-four were saved, twelve sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, seven united with the church. They all love Brother and Sister Brogdon at Warrenville. He too is doing a good work there. We had the co-operation of the good folks there. The good folks at Langley and other churches were appreciated help.

Our next revival was in Augusta, Ga. We closed May 28 with eighteen in the altar. God surely blessed and manifested His great power. Messages and interpretations were given. His great power was in every service. It seemed as though the power of God would just overshadow the congregation and bring conviction. The altar would fill up on both sides, also the front seats. Twenty-four were saved, twenty sanctified, fifteen filled with the Holy Ghost, sixteen baptized in water. God is surely working in Augusta. They have a fine pastor there and the Augusta church is coming to the front. They all love Brother and Sister Kennedy.

Please pray for us that God will give us many souls in Orangeburg, S. C. That will be our next place, our revival beginning June 9. All churches near Orangeburg please come be with us, we are expecting a great time in the Lord.—Your sister in His service, Pauline Jackson.

Revival a Blessing

LOMBARDY, Miss.—Dear Evangel family, Sister Victoria Clemons of West Helena, Ark. and I came here and started a revival Monday night, May 17. The first service three were in the altar with two saved and sanctified. Saturday night we had a healing service. There were some wonderful healings. A deaf and dumb man and woman got so they could say "Praise God." Please pray for them to be completely restored. They both got saved and she got sanctified.

Sunday the Lord gave us a taste of Pentecost. The preaching service started at three o'clock and altar service lasted right on through until nine o'clock Sunday night. There must have been thirty or thirty-five in the altar. Seven got saved, ten sanctified and seven filled with the Holy Ghost. The power of God fell like a mighty rain. The first week between thirty and thirty-five were saved, about thirty sanctified and sixteen filled with the Holy Ghost. Please pray for God to save every white person on this plantation. Even the colored folks are getting interested and want us to preach for them some.

Sunday, June 6, we had an all-day meeting with dinner on the ground at the arbor and baptizing in the afternoon.—Your humble sister in Christ, Mary E. Wright, exhorter.

Report of Bahama Work

NASSAU, N. P., Bah.—Dear Evangel family, greetings. We have been silent for quite a while, but we ofttimes think of our dear old Evangel and our family of readers in the homeland and in the mission fields.

Well, we are glad to let you know that we are still alive and on the battlefield. We are much encouraged over the work. We left Nassau the 3rd day of May and arrived at Williamtown, Exuma on the 5th. We were met by Brother Nathanael Bethel, our district overseer, all ready for a district convention in the new church house. Well, we went right into the services heart and soul, and oh, such a glorious convention we had. The presence and power of the Lord was with us throughout the meetings. At times the altar would be filled with seekers and on Sunday afternoon eleven souls were added to the church and eight were baptized in water. We dedicated the new church building and our farewell service on Sunday night was very touching. Our district overseer from Long Island, Brother Dan T. Miller, was with us and delivered some very inspiring messages.

On our way back to Nassau we visited Forbes Hill and the Ferry, where we prayed for a sick lady. The dear Lord blessed us wonderfully and she sent us word in a few days that she was much better. Thank God, He is just the same today and we mean to stand foursquare for the full gospel.

Since the convention at Exuma we have another church set in order there and a piece of land donated to build a church house at this new place. This makes us feel like working harder for the Master. We have more "Macedonian" calls than we can fill, so we ask you to help us pray for Exuma and the rest of our mission fields.

On our arrival back to Nassau we found the 4th annual dist. convention going on and we surely had a blessed time of rejoicing and praising God from Thursday night until late Sunday night.

We boarded the boat again on the 21st for Arthur's Town, Cat Island, and on arriving there I met Brother George Moss, our district overseer, and other delegates from the various churches already on fire in a district convention there. Some of the sisters who attended this convention had to travel over fifty miles on horseback to get to these meetings. Two sisters had to ride one horse, that is, while one would ride the other would walk until she was tired, then she would take the horse and the other would walk, and you should have seen them shouting and praising God with smiles on their faces. Thank God for such determination.

The dear Lord is blessing us over here in the Bahama Islands and we are laying plans for greater progress, D. V.

Your prayers are still needed for these whitened harvest fields.—Yours in the Master's service, William R. Franks, overseer of Bahamas.

Request

We covet the prayers of God's people for a revival which starts August 1 that it will be a success. We are fasting and praying to that effect. Pray that we will grow in knowledge and be wise unto salvation.—Mattie Ball, Rt. 2, Vincent, Ala.

All-Day Meeting a Success at Dora's Chapel, Ala.

I praise the Lord for the all-day meeting held here the first Sunday in June. The Lord was with us in a wonderful way. Brother Robinson of Lookout Mt. brought the morning message which was grand. After lunch we came together in a good song service. We had some wonderful string music after which Brother Curtis Mitchell conducted a praise service. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. There was shouting, dancing and much demonstration of the Spirit. After the praise service Brother Lonnie Galloway of Mentone brought a stirring message. After this message we had more good music followed by a message by Brother Robert Taylor. Sister Jessie Wilson brought a message which encouraged everyone to be more faithful. Brother Jim Robinson brought the closing message under the demonstration and power of the Holy Ghost.

I invite all ministers who can to come to this place and help me out. I have labored and secured a church house to hold service in. This is a prosperous community and I feel sure somebody will accept holiness and the Church of God. If anyone feels led to come this way and is willing to preach for the good of lost souls and not for money, you will be welcome anytime. We have a good home and will take good care of you and see that your needs are supplied. Please pray for me.—Your humble servant, Dora Griffith.

Still on the Run for My Lord

I am thanking my Lord for old-time salvation. For six years I have lived for God. I am saved, sanctified, and filled with the Holy Ghost and on my way to heaven. I am a member of the Church of God at Union, S. C. When I joined the Church of God at Union the church was in a very small store building. I remember very well my wife and I carrying peanuts to the mill to sell for the church to buy a lot to build a church house on. Sleet or snow, we went. Praise God, bless His wonderful name. There is nothing impossible with God. We started with one penny to build a church. We have a nice church in Union now. Thank the Lord for it. For nine months I worked on it. I never got one bit tired because I was working for my Lord. I lived at 16 Spring St., Union, S. C. for nine years, four months. God laid it on my heart to come to this country and preach holiness several years ago. At last, thank God, He fixed it one day. I bought twelve acres of land with an eight-room house on Highway 92 west of Union, on the road from Union to Enoree, ten miles from Union.

I am out for lost souls, I never get tired working for my Lord. I am praying that God will put it on some one's heart that has a tent to come to this country and hold a few weeks' meeting. Thank God, He has set me in the middle of a crowd of Baptist people. I am the only holiness person except my wife. There are six families of white people on one side and they know nothing about holiness. They call us "Holy Rollers." Thank God I know the Church of God is the best thing in the world and I love it and its teaching. I love the power of God. Evangelist, preacher, has God called you to preach to lost souls? If so, please come this way. I will furnish a place for a tent and furnish seats for the tent. Yes, I have electric lights I will put in the tent. I will give the preacher a furnished room and will feed him and pay the light bill for the tent. I know nothing better than to spend my money for the glory of God. My prayers are that some one will come this way. I want you Church of God people when traveling this road to ask for E. M. Fincher's home, ten miles from Union. Stop and spend the night and take dinner with us. Remember my door is open for God's people. Yes, there are people who live in a mile of me. I would like to see a Church of God right here on my place. If I could get the miners here, I have a hull of a four-room house I would make a Church of God out of right on Highway 92. Everyone pray for my wife and me that we will stand true till Jesus comes. —E. M. Fincher, R. F. D. 2, Union, S. C.

Delivered From Fire

Dear Evangel readers, I am sounding a note of praise for what my Savior has done for me. If Christ wants me to suffer, I am willing to suffer. I am going to relate a little experience I had the past week. We are living in a house car in which we used to travel in the service of the Lord. A storm came through and blew our house down. I was cooking my dinner. When the wind began to blow hard I turned the light out of the oil-stove. As I did the house turned over and all the fire and my dinner piled right on me. I saw death drawing nigh. I had my baby in my arms. The baby didn't get burned but one place and that was on his head. I got burned on my hips and one of my arms. Fire was all over us, but the same God that delivered the three Hebrew children from the fiery furnace was able to deliver me. The Lord was good to me. Not a piece of my clothing was burned, nor my baby's. Not a hair on my head was singed and fire was all around. The Lord has wonderfully touched my body. Everyone who reads this, please pray a prayer through to God that He will completely heal me, also my baby who is sick with colitis. I am more determined than ever to serve my Lord. Pray that I will be able to get on my feet again so I can be a worker for my Lord. Praise the Lord for His wonderful power.—A sister in Christ, Grace Abbott, R. F. D. 4, Box 66a, Columbia, S. C.

Looking for a Real Work

ARANSAS PASS, Tex.—Dear Evangel family, we have at last secured an evangelist who will preach the Word without partiality or fear and we are behind him and expect to see him over. Two weeks' hard preaching and labor has at last brought results. We are looking for the greatest work that has been in the southern part of the state.

Oh, this deserted, desolate, wasted part of the world! We have struggled so long, never before could we get anyone to come to our aid. We have some good ministers up around the nest, if we could just know how to pull the down from under them and let them down on discomfort and cause them to see that they, like all other young eagles, have to learn that they can trust in the wings that have borne them up so long, though it be in a foreign place, or to them a strange land.

Anyway, we are thanking God that we have survived the spiritual drouth, weathered the storms of false doctrines and the clouds broke away last evening. God's love shone through and one precious man was rescued from the fowlers' nest, and oh, we're so glad! With the help of our great Creator and the prayers of you, our brethren, we are looking for a real work here, so pray for us. Brother Tom White and party are really doing a good work. God bless their labors with a harvest of souls. Love to the Evangel family.—E. E. Malone, district pastor, Box 615.

Moving On

AGES, Ky.—This morning I am greatly encouraged. We have a few saints here who really love the Church of God. The Sunday School consists mostly of Junior and Card classes. Sunday, June 13, we organized a Y. P. E. The two group captains surely work. All who read this please pray for us.

As pastor of a church I know it means much to fulfill our duty in visiting homes, seeing the sick, and looking after the ones who are in our care. By God's help I want to do my best and if I do, I am sure He will say to me, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant." We need your prayers.—A humble brother and co-worker in the Church of God, George L. Cravens.

UP AND GOING

A. J. Cox

Dear saints scattered abroad, greetings in the precious name of Jesus. This morning I feel somewhat impressed to sound a note of praise in honor of Him who has done so much for me, using for my theme "Up and Going" and for our text Luke 2:49, "And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? WIST YE NOT that I must be about MY FATHER'S BUSINESS?"

This text was spoken almost two thousand years ago by the SON of God, when He was at the age of twelve years, and we find that He still carried that wonderful ZEAL or enthusiasm as long as He was on this earth.

JESUS said in St. John 8:12, "I am the LIGHT of the world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but SHALL HAVE the LIGHT OF LIFE."

Brother, sister, it seems today the more we do for the WONDERFUL Savior, the more we can find to do.

Jesus, in speaking to His disciples in Matt. 5:14 said, "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid." You might say, "Brother Cox, what did JESUS mean by that saying?" He means that you and I should be up and about our Father's business. We should still have that wonderful ZEAL and desire to see others GET THIS WONDERFUL experience that we had when we first got this blessing, the RELIGION of JESUS CHRIST is a lively RELIGION. Here lately I have been spending just a little more time in the woods, so to speak, on my KNEES, and, listen, preachers, when we do so it is no trouble to find a place to go and preach. I have many more calls than I can fill. I have gone to several new places recently and held services and best of all the SWEET HOLY GHOST is always present.

A few nights ago I went to a little mining town to hold service and after I got there I found arrangements had already been made to hold this service in a home. The sister in the home said, "I don't know what they will say, they are not used to having HOLINESS meetings in the homes in this town," but listen, children, we went ahead with the meeting and the dear Lord blessed. Let us pray that the dear Lord will open up the way for them to have a Church of God in that little town. I was called last night to conduct a prayer service in a home where there is an old man past eighty years of age, who had been bedfast for about two years. I told them about the GOODNESS of God and gave the old gentleman my hand and asked him if he was saved and He said, "No, but I want you to pray for me that God will save me." I asked if he was praying and he said he was and he knew that he would know it when God saved him. Let's pray that the dear Lord will wonderfully save that old man. He seemed so humble and invited me back so many times.

I wonderfully enjoy going to new towns and communities and holding meetings in new places but I have always felt my call to do a work in the homes wherever I have lived. I fancy I can hear the dear saints who have worked in the home prayer meetings with me so much in the past say "Amen." Dear Sunday School worker, exhorter, deacon, evangelist, bishop, and everyone to whom God has given this wonderful experience of salvation, GOD HAS A WORK FOR YOU TO DO, CAN HE DEPEND UPON YOU? Time is short and we have much territory to cover yet and the WORK IS GREAT. ARE YOU RUNNING HERE AND THERE, just trying to feast on the other fellow's experience? or are you FINDING your place in GOD'S GREAT VINEYARD and laboring there, trying to BUILD UP GOD'S CHURCH? Listen, it is wonderful to visit the other meetings and help in REVIVALS in other places, but let's also remember our HOME services and our home communities and try OUR BEST to keep our HOME CHURCH on FIRE and GROWING. (This is where we are first obligated.)

The dear Lord has so arranged through His CHURCH to give each state or territory an overseer, and the good success of that work DEPENDS upon HIS LOYALTY there. And He so arranges His work through district pastors, pastors, and co-workers and the success of the work in general depends upon each laborer there. I think it is very sad in a number of the smaller churches on Sunday morning to see a large turn-out for Sunday School, of the sinner and underprivileged class, and then when you begin to line up and hunt for teachers, you find a number of the Christians or church members who have obligated themselves to support that church absent right at the time when they are needed, and then when you see them and ask why they were not at Sunday School they say, "Well, I felt led to go such and such a place." Listen children, I pray that the dear Lord will GIVE US A GREAT AWAKENING to the sense of our DUTY. If you are a member of the great Church of God and don't think enough of your church where your membership is and where you have obligated yourself to try your best to prove a blessing to that particular church, and then you don't think enough of that church and don't WEIGH the obligation high enough that you have taken to LIVE UP TO IT by helping that church with your presence, prayers, tithes and offerings, I can't ever make myself believe that you have gotten a deep enough experience, it doesn't matter how much you shout, jump high and hollo in other places. We have often heard the slogan—A PLACE FOR EVERYTHING AND EVERYTHING IN ITS PLACE—constitutes good housekeeping—and I am persuaded to believe that this will also work to the good success of the church IF WE WILL TRY IT. We are expecting to start a revival soon here at Seaboard, Va., and I ask the saints everywhere to please pray that God will give us a harvest of souls.

Do You Take the Evangel?

Just a note of praise to the little Evangel I love so well. It is the dearest little paper on this side of heaven. How can you Church of God people say you are one hundred per cent Church of God and as many as there are of us and only eighty-six Evangels going to Louisiana homes? It is a shame to know how we neglect God's work and hold up the newspapers. Glory to God, I am just filled with the glory of God today and I have just got to tell some of it. Come on, you Church of God people, let's go over the top in Louisiana. It will bring you a blessing that you will not be able to contain, and when you get done with it just pass it on to some one else. I know many sinners who will not come to church but they like to read the paper and there are some poor souls asking for old Evangels. We cannot say it is God's fault because we are not blessed, because we have plenty to do if we will put forth an effort. God will give everyone something to do if we serve Him in the way He sees best, but within ourselves we can do nothing. I pray that God will put it in the hearts of all of His people to get the little paper in their homes.

I love it, because we read in it the good news and good testimonies from those we know and those we don't know. When we read of them we know that we are just one big family in Christ Jesus. Praise His name forever. Please pray for me and my family.—A sister, Ella B. Perilloux, Covington, La.

REQUEST

Dear saints, my little girl has a bad foot so please pray a special prayer for her. Pray that I will hold out faithful, I want to be an overcomer and trust the Lord with both body and soul.—Your sister in Christ, Arrie Deloach, 1801 Lena St., Manatee, Fla.

Requests

Pray earnestly for God to heal my granddaughter, Jellmeta Chambers, of pellagra. I know He can heal for He healed me of asthma when I had been ill for three years.—Della Hasford, Rt. 1, Double Springs, Ala.

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Please pray a special prayer for the healing of my body. The doctor says I have a tumor in my side, so please remember me to the Lord. If any of my B. T. S. classmates see this, please write me and pray for me.—A sister in Christ, Gladys Roberson, Odum, Ga.

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Perhaps many who read this are personally acquainted with me. I am so glad to report victory, I am still Church of God. We have no church here. Please pray for Abilene and for my family which are in sin. A personal word from anyone will be greatly appreciated. Let me exhort all to stand true to God.—One who loves you, Sister Nora Hughes, 434 Jeannette St., Abilene, Texas.

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Pray for me that the Lord will have His way in my life and that God in some way will remove the hindering cause and I will be able to serve the Lord in freedom. I am trying to hold on to God. I don't feel like it is long till Jesus comes. Please pray a special prayer for me each day. I want to get close to God and be ready to go at any time. Pray for the healing of my body. Also pray for my husband to be saved and my faith to be increased and I will be able to stand for Jesus.—Mrs. Lula Johnson, Ethel, W. Va.

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Dear saints, please pray for the healing of my body. I am trusting the Lord. I'm troubled badly with my back and stomach. Also pray for my mother who has an unspoken request. Pray for mother, father, sisters, and brothers to get light on the good old Church of God. Pray for husband and me to stand true.—Mrs. F. C. Foerman, Homerville, Ga.

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Please pray for Oscar Armstrong to be saved. Pray for Millie Lanaenbarger whose health is not good. Pray that I will be called back to work, also pray for my health to improve. I have a number of unspoken requests.—Mrs. Anna Gilkey, West Middlesex, Pa.

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Pray a special prayer for the healing of my hand. I have been in the hospital and the doctors say I might have to have my thumb removed.—Mrs. Hazel Adkins, Yolyn, W. Va.

About two years ago Jesus saved my soul and washed me in His blood. Pray that I will get the Holy Ghost. I am a thirteen-year-old boy. Pray that my daddy, other loved ones, and friends will be saved.—A. G. Colkmire, Rt. 2, Box 122, Perry, Fla.

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A revival began at the Oak Grove Church of God, June 23 with Brother David McMellin of Brodhead, Ky. and the writer in charge. This church has been neglected and has had no pastor up to date. We earnestly appeal to all who read this to pray that God will give us a great revival and a harvest of souls here at this place.—B. G. Asher, overseer of western district of Kentucky.

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Please pray earnestly that God will give us a glorious revival in Enterprise, Ala. This is entirely new territory for the Church of God and we have much opposition, yet there is a number who are eager for more light. We have had our tent up here about a week and two have been saved up to the present time. Please pray.—J. E. Marion.

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I want the prayers of all of God's children for me that I might be healed by the mighty power of God and filled with the blessed Holy Ghost.—Mrs. W. I. Duskin, Rt. 2, Vinemont, Ala.

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I have been ill sixteen months with ulcers of the bowels, kidneys and head trouble. Will you please pray for my healing as I want to get back on the field to preach the gospel.—Clyde Dodd, Kimberly, Ala.

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All who know the worth of prayer please pray for me that I will draw closer to God and know His will concerning me. Pray that God will open the way for me to get out in the work of the Lord. We surely need a revival. All you evangelists who read this pray that God will lay it on some one's heart to come and hold us a revival. Please pray as never before. If anyone feels the burden for souls we would be glad to have you.—Mrs. Georgie Johnson, Sweetwater, Texas.

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We started a revival the Fourth of July at Mt. Sherman, Ark. This is a new field so please pray for the meeting that many souls will be saved and that God will give us a new church here.—Lono Marlin, district pastor, Box 42, Omaha, Ark.

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Please pray for me, I have some kind of throat trouble. I know God is able to heal. Also pray that I will be a true member, obey Him and train our children in the way they should go. Pray that my husband will come back to God before it is too late. Don't forget the saints at Donna, Tex.—Mrs. Eudora Pearson, Gen. Del., Donna, Tex.

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Please pray for a dear girl who is suffering much and her nerves are all gone. She is nearly crazy. She is in a bad condition every way, it seems. Please don't forget to pray for her. Her address is Mrs. Henry Hicks, Oconee, Ga., c|o J. J. Brentley.—Her friend, Sallie Johnson, Oconee, Ga.

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Pray, pray. We are having a prayer meeting in our home every Thursday. Please pray that the meeting will continue and the Lord will keep blessing and that we will get a Church of God here soon. Also pray for my mother and father, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Edmundson, that they will get saved before it is too late. My husband and I are trying to fight the battle for Jesus. We both have the Holy Ghost and are in the Church of God. Pray for us and our friends and loved ones.—Your brother and sister in Christ, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Simonton, Cromwell, Okla.

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Please pray a special prayer for our father, R. L. Davis. He has been having fever about a week. Pray that God will heal him. Also pray for my unsaved brother-in-law that he will get saved. Pray for the revival over here at New Eden and for the saints that they might stand true.—Miss Alma Davis, Ludowici, Ga., Rt. 1.

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Please pray for the healing of my head. I have had head trouble for years but the last three months it hasn't been easy. I am a member of the Church of God and trust God for my body.—A sister, Bertie Huff, Lindale, Ga.

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Please pray for our son, who has left home, that the Lord will cause him to come home and that he will be saved. Pray for me that I will be faithful to the Lord. Also pray for my husband to be sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. L. B. Henderson, 1015 St., Kingsport, Tenn.

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Dear readers, I am afflicted in my body and ask all to please pray earnestly that God will heal me. He knows all about it, and pray that He will give me patience to stand the test. I know God has healed and will heal.—Your humble sister in Christ, Edith Johns, Bashlott, Ga.

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Dear Evangel family, I have an unknown request which I want you to please pray for.—Yours truly, Mrs. J. A. Bob Douglas, Jellico, Tenn., Rt. 2, Box 115.

Depending on Your Prayers

Dear Evangel readers, after spending a number of weeks in the land of many lakes, Minnesota, I feel impressed to write a few lines to our little paper in regard to the work in this state. God is still with us! As we view our needy field a great burning zeal grips our hearts and spurs us on to service.

There are many Scandinavians, Indians, and some Americans populating this country. Our doctrine and faith is very foreign to them. Seemingly, they are very sceptical and reserved. If one is fortunate enough to have enough good, old-time religion to shout, cry, speak in tongues and enjoy it, he or she is very soon branded as a fanatic or heretic. Surely there is deliverance and light for these poor, dark, benighted souls.

We are sending forth an earnest sincere appeal for the prayers of our great Church of God family and all who pray. Doubtless, our prayers mingled with weeping and fasting will break this fallow ground and pave the way for men and women to seek the Lord till He rains righteousness on them.

The Lord has blessed Brother Ramsey and his humble band since coming to the state. Further reports will show this. They have worked under strenuous circumstances with faithfulness of heart. They possess a great love for the church, or will *dare* and *do* for the cause. I believe they are "go getters" and will fight till the last battle is over and the smoke, as it were, has cleared away. May God bless their every undertaking in this new field.

There are four or five active ministers in the state with Brother Ramsey. You can note from this that the ministers are limited but we are fortunate to have the Olson quartet. They are talented, prayerful young men and are doing a good work.

Brother Ramsey extends a hearty invitation to good, consecrated workers, who are not afraid to trust God. Contact him if you desire work in new fields. The worker that possesses a spirit of co-operation and love for the Church of God can appreciate the leadership and humble counsel of this "God-called man."

There are three revivals in progress at this time. The Ramsey band and writer are in Rothsay, Minn. Five have been saved, one sanctified, one filled with the Holy Ghost. The church was set in order with nine members. That makes the fourth church gained this year in Minnesota. The altar is filled each evening with hungry seekers. The presence of God is with us in this meeting and we are looking for "better and greater things."

We anticipate a ten-day meeting in Wheaton, beginning June 26. We will close the meeting July 6 with an all-day service. We are expecting our General Overseer, J. H. Walker, to be with us on the home coming day.

A task too great for our small band of workers lies before us. We are working with all our might, not despising the day of small things as we call to mind the little quotation, "Rome wasn't built in a day."

During our three weeks' meeting in Pequot we obtained several subscriptions for the Evangel and trust we can do more before the year closes. Very few made steps toward God. However, the seed was sown and great waves of conviction seized our auditors from night to night. We trust we can return to those good people and spend more time with them.

This afternoon finds us with an upward gaze in our soul, not a bit discouraged but eager to aid the lost, support the weak, and fellowship the saints of God. Bear in mind, dear reader, we are depending on *"your"* prayers to make our work in Minnesota a success this year.

Anyone desiring to contact me can do so by addressing Box 473, Herman, Minn., c|o H. E. Ramsey.—Humbly, in His service, Dorothy Diffenderfer.

UNUSUAL CASE

On account of the crippled condition of this precious boy, we are putting his piece in the paper. It has been a rule for a number of years not to put such requests in the Evangel, for the reason that most every location has some one who is in need, but we feel that this precious brother is worthy and we are sure that many would like to aid him in the way he has suggested.—Editor.

First, I'll say "hello" to my B. T. S. brothers and sisters whose society I enjoyed during the last term of school and whom I learned to love so well in the Lord. I will never forget you.

Now a few words about my victory. My mother died when I was an infant and, to add to my misfortune, I was denied the companionship of brothers and sisters, being practically alone in the world except for my father, a fine, godly man who has struggled through these years of want for my sake. I can never appreciate enough his efforts in my behalf.

For many years I have been afflicted with a case of chronic arthritis and for about eight years have been unable to sit down, but must, with the aid of crutches, always remain on my feet when not lying down, thus can only rest my body when in bed. By the help of God I have succeeded in maintaining a cheerful attitude. I am trying hard to trust the Lord for my healing and pray that my faith may be strengthened to the extent that I shall be delivered to the glory of God. Saints everywhere, please pray for me to be healed, and that I may enter the service of God in an active way. I have much to thank God for. Once when riding in an automobile, it got out of control and went over an embankment so high and steep that the car rolled over sidewise three times before reaching the bottom. I was not even scratched. Truly the Lord will care for His own.

A plan has been impressed upon my mind whereby I may be able to raise the amount necessary for the cancellation of the balance of my tuition expense concurred in Bible School. I still owe quite a bit and want to pay it off soon. This is my plan:

I shall have a quilt made, to be presented to our General Overseer. In this quilt will be the names of all Church of God members who desire to donate 25c or more to this cause. Your help will be deeply appreciated by me, and I will be extremely grateful for not only the temporal benevolence which you may bestow, but for the kind regard and love that you find in your heart for me. This last is the greater treasure. Pray much for me.—Lawrence Davis, Estatoe, N. C.

Something For Every One to Do

CRAB ORCHARD, Ky.—This morning I feel impressed to write a note of praise to the Evangel as this is the first time in my life although I have taken the paper ever since it was just a small paper and it has brought many blessings to my soul. I thought this might encourage some one else to press on. We praise the Lord for sending our good pastor and family this way, Brother Preston Lewis, also our good district pastor, Brother J. T. Holman, and his family, was with us Sunday and he gave us a wonderful talk which was enjoyed. Brother Derry, pastor at South Lebanon, was with us also and brought a message which fed our souls and made us see the need of more of God in our lives.

As I desire to do something for the Lord and I know there is something for everyone to do, I am working for the Evangel. I am sending in six subscriptions today and by the help of the Lord will send in some more in a few days. I have known the Church of God was right ever since I heard it preached, although I was slothful, but I am glad to say this morning I am a member of her and have the Holy Ghost. I have six children and all are saved and members of the Church but one. Pray for him that he will see the light on the Church and come in.—Your brother in the Lord, J. P. Holman.

EDITORIALS

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to solve the problem, but things cannot continue as they are without the breaking down of American commerce and we fear that this is going to cause the greatest suffering and loss that has ever come to this republic. We feel that labor should be more considerate and willing to leave their problems to be worked out by men who love God and the liberties of our country, and on the other hand capitalists should realize that their day of hoarding up wealth is over. We pray that these strained relations will not continue until it bankrupts the manufacturer and closes the plants that are furnishing labor for those who are depending on them for their support.

ADVERSITY

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den and that made our nation the paradise of the Western Hemisphere. It was godly strength that drove Charles G. Finney into the wilds and that gave him the credit through God of saving thousands of souls.

When Stephen, that holy man of God, was being stoned to death, he looked toward the heavens and declared that he saw Jesus on the right hand of God. In the midst of this battle he flung words into the world that will live when languages are dead, that will be fresh when nations have crumbled, and when war is no more. Adversity in the life of this man was overcome by the cross. If there ever was a time that people of God should be loyal, true, and grateful, it is now. The ill winds of opposition from an ungodly world are blowing at terrific speed.

IS HOLINESS RIGHT?

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2:14 we learn that Jesus Christ gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a PECULIAR people, zealous of good works. The dictionary tells us that zealous means inspired with zeal, fervent and eager and I have found that those who are sanctified or purified by the precious blood of Jesus are earnestly contending for the faith once delivered unto the saints, Jude 1:3. Faith is believing and Mark 16:17 says, "These signs shall follow them that believe. They shall speak with NEW TONGUES. They shall cast out devils and they shall lay hands on the sick and they shall recover." These are the words of our blessed Savior. And listen folks, Jesus also said, "Verily I say unto you, He that BELIEVETH on me, the WORKS that I do shall he do also." So it really means something to be a real believer in Jesus Christ. And it behooves us to work while it is day. We cannot obtain all this at once. Isaiah teaches us that, little by little, line upon line, here a little and there a little we receive knowledge and understand doctrine. And to do this we must be weaned from the sins of the world, we cannot, by just having a FORM of godliness and denying the power thereof. So many church members today profess that they know God, but in works they deny Him. So many receive not the love of the truth and for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie and be damned. 2 Thess. 2:10-13.

O people, let me warn you to be careful, many are going to the judgment deceived. Get on your knees and cry to God for knowledge ACCORDING TO HIS WORD and LEAN NOT UNTO THINE OWN UNDERSTANDING. What a horrible awakening it is going to be when Jesus comes and those who are laughing and scoffing at holiness, realize that they were too proud to bear the reproach that He told us to go without the camp and bear. Oh, how we should strive to be like Moses, choosing rather to suffer affliction and persecution with the people of God than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt.

Oh, how I praise God for this glorious way of holiness, it is joy unspeakable and full of glory.

Now for fear I take up too much space I'll give a few references for you to find in your Bible to prove that holiness is right. Gen. 17:1; 1 Peter 1:15; 1 John 3:6, 8, 9; 1 Thess. 4:7; 5:23; Heb. 12:14. Search the Scriptures, meditate both day and night on His Word, pray without ceasing, and taste this glorious salvation.

Why I Love the Mountain Work

TAYLORS, S. C.—First, the love of God is in my heart. God is love. 1 John 4:8. There is no community where conditions are alike. We find prayers must be made above all things. Our people are humble, love each other, when they really do, but when they don't, lookout. Our people have never had a preacher or pastor who trusted God for a living until this year. They think a preacher ought to work like them, they have always been used to this. We are having it somewhat hard but we are trusting Him.

I am giving you some facts. A brother says, "I want you to go up the mountain and pray for my daddy right now," so here we go. We drove eight miles in a car and walked about three miles through the mud and rain. We came to a little house and found the father in a dying condition. The son fell on his knees and began to pray silently, then he asked the people if we could have a prayer and they said, "No, no, no." We could feel and see they didn't want prayer, but oh, how I wanted to pray. We had to go and the poor man died. Oh, my people, if you could see this mountain work as it really is and the great need for workers who will stay on the field and pray and teach the people the Word of God. Do pray for us.

Our worst enemies are church professors or preachers coming from towns, but God is helping us. I do wish I could tell you the real needs in every way. You can pray for us and please do. This is known as the dark corner section—whiskey, whiskey, wickedness and sin. Our favorite scriptures are 1 John 3:22; Phil. 4:19. If you care to, write us a line and say you are praying for us. Amen.—Yours in Him, W. L. Ramsey, Rt. 1.

$1021.00 Raised on Home Coming Day

The Church of God at Biltmore, N. C. on Sunday, June 13, had the greatest day in the history of the church here. Truly it was great because of the blessings of the Lord. Brother Stephens, state overseer, was with us and preached at the eleven o'clock hour. This message was timely and delivered with power. Visitors from the district came with joy. Brother D. B. Yow, our district pastor, was there, also Brother W. M. Stallings, who had been conducting an old-time revival at Biltmore. There were many other visiting ministers.

The afternoon service was great, the waves of glory seemed to sweep over the congregation as a great tidal wave. At two-thirty came the big event, as the members marched around and gave of their means; some gave their entire week's salary. The Lord surely was pleased as He set His approval upon this. Some were shouting, some laughing and some crying. Truly it was a blessing to be in a service like this one.

Over seven hundred dollars in cash was given and the rest to be paid in within a few days. Everyone present said it was the greatest home coming day they had ever witnessed. The close came with some seeking the Lord. Some really prayed through to victory. One of our young ministers who had been in a backslidden condition came and was wonderfully blessed of the Lord.

We are engaged in a building program and need your prayers that God will bless in this work, as it is a needy cause.—Yours in His service, A. V. Childers, pastor.

Evangel Subscriptions As They Stood The First of July

Some states have made nice increases this month, but we are sorry to see the decreases. Perhaps some forget to renew in time. Please make them all show up increases next month. Wouldn't it be fine if every state showed an increase, at least not show any decrease! We must keep working if we keep our list up and growing. The Lord is depending on us to do His work. Will we be faithful?

Our last press run was 7,700 (including foreign subscriptions and rolls). The total number of subscriptions this month is 5,736, a gain of 93 over last month.

	Increase	Decrease	Total
Florida	94		868
N. Carolina		83	660
Georgia		7	495
S. Carolina		1	479
Alabama	9		387
Tennessee		19	291
Mississippi	6		260
W. Virginia	4		242
Kentucky	19		242
Texas	4		229
Ohio		8	152
Pennsylvania	4		138
Arkansas	18		137
Virginia		2	135
Missouri	12		120
Illinois	8		110
Louisiana	3		89
Maryland			79
Oklahoma	7		78
N. Dakota	3		69
S. Dakota	28		64
Michigan		20	62
California	1		53
New Mexico	6		52

	Increase	Decrease	Total
Montana	7		38
Kansas		1	32
Indiana		10	26
Maine		1	18
Nebraska	1		15
Idaho	9		14
Minnesota			12
Delaware			11
Arizona	1		10
Iowa	1		10
Colorado		2	8
Wash., D. C.			7
Oregon			7
Wyoming			7
New York			6
New Jersey			4
New Hampshire			4
Washington		1	3
Massachusetts			3
Wisconsin			3
Utah	2		3
Connecticut			1
Nevada			1
Vermont			1
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How Will Your State Stand In Aug.